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Gentlemen:

DONALD C. COOK NUCLEAR PLANT UNITS 1 AND 2
PROPOSED RULE CHANGED CONCERNING EMERGENCY
PLANNING AND EXERCISE REQUIREMENTS

Volume 60, No. 72 of the Federal Register includes proposed rule changes to Appendix E, Section IV, F.2, to 10CFR Part 50, "Emergency Planning and Preparedness for Production and Utilization Facilities." The following are our comments regarding the proposed changes.

We agree with the wording of the proposed change. We also concur with the petitioner's contention that an annual exercise is not cost effective for either the Federal Government or the licensee.

In view of the steady industry improvement in the area of emergency preparedness, as evidenced by the improvement in industry-averaged SALP ratings, we believe that biennial exercises will be sufficient to assure the protection of public health and safety.

Sincerely,

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